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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir and/or Madam:

Before calculating the fees, please cancel claims 3, 5, 6, 10, 11, 13, 16-19, 23-25, 27-29, 31, 34, 36-40, 42, 50-52, 54, 56, 58-64, 68-70, 72 and 73.

Please amend the claims as follows:

14. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the body tissue is selected from the group consisting of the integument, skin, hair, [and] nails, a wound bed, and internal body tissue and wherein the agent is selected from the group consisting of a cosmetic agent, a bulking agent, a hair conditioning agent, a hair fixative, a sunscreen agent, a moisturizing agent, a depilatory agent, an anti-nerve gas agent, a film forming agent, a vitamin, an insect repellant, a coloring agent, a pharmaceutical agent, a ligand-receptor complex and a receptor of a ligand-receptor complex.